



HD Radio™ TUNER MODULE

TUA-T550HD



- OWNER'S MANUAL
Please read before using this equipment.
- MODE D'EMPLOI
Veuillez lire avant d'utiliser cet appareil.
- MANUAL DE OPERACIÓN
Léalo antes de utilizar este equipo.

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WARNING



WARNING

This symbol means important instructions. Failure to heed them can result in serious injury or death.

DO NOT OPERATE ANY FUNCTION THAT TAKES YOUR ATTENTION AWAY FROM SAFELY DRIVING YOUR VEHICLE. Any function that requires your prolonged attention should only be performed after coming to a complete stop. Always stop the vehicle in a safe location before performing these functions. Failure to do so may result in an accident.

DO NOT DISASSEMBLE OR ALTER. Doing so may result in an accident, fire or electric shock.

USE ONLY IN CARS WITH A 12 VOLT NEGATIVE GROUND. (Check with your dealer if you are not sure.) Failure to do so may result in fire, etc.

KEEP SMALL OBJECTS SUCH AS BATTERIES OUT OF THE REACH OF CHILDREN. Swallowing them may result in serious injury. If swallowed, consult a physician immediately.

USE THE CORRECT AMPERE RATING WHEN REPLACING FUSES. Failure to do so may result in fire or electric shock.

DO NOT BLOCK VENTS OR RADIATOR PANELS. Doing so may cause heat to build up inside and may result in fire.

USE THIS PRODUCT FOR MOBILE 12V APPLICATIONS. Use for other than its designed application may result in fire, electric shock or other injury.

BEFORE WIRING, DISCONNECT THE CABLE FROM THE NEGATIVE BATTERY TERMINAL. Failure to do so may result in electric shock or injury due to electrical shorts.

DO NOT SPLICE INTO ELECTRICAL CABLES. Never cut away cable insulation to supply power to other equipment. Doing so will exceed the current carrying capacity of the wire and result in fire or electric shock.

DO NOT INSTALL IN LOCATIONS WHICH MIGHT HINDER VEHICLE OPERATION, SUCH AS THE STEERING WHEEL OR GEARSHIFT. Doing so may obstruct forward vision or hamper movement etc. and results in serious accident.

DO NOT DAMAGE PIPES OR WIRING WHEN DRILLING HOLES. When drilling holes in the chassis for installation, take precautions so as not to contact, damage or obstruct pipes, fuel lines, tanks or electrical wiring. Failure to take such precautions may result in fire.

DO NOT USE BOLTS OR NUTS IN THE BRAKE OR STEERING SYSTEMS TO MAKE GROUND CONNECTIONS.

Bolts or nuts used for the brake or steering systems (or any other safety-related system), or tanks should NEVER be used for installations or ground connections. Using such parts could disable control of the vehicle and cause fire etc.

DO NOT ALLOW CABLES TO BECOME ENTANGLED IN SURROUNDING OBJECTS.

Arrange wiring and cables in compliance with the manual to prevent obstructions when driving. Cables or wiring that obstruct or hang up on places such as the steering wheel, gear lever, brake pedals, etc. can be extremely hazardous.

MAKE THE CORRECT CONNECTIONS. Failure to make the proper connections may result in fire or product damage.



CAUTION

This symbol means important instructions. Failure to heed them can result in injury or material property damage.

HALT USE IMMEDIATELY IF A PROBLEM APPEARS.

Failure to do so may cause personal injury or damage to the product. Return it to your authorized Alpine dealer or the nearest Alpine Service Center for repairing.

USE SPECIFIED ACCESSORY PARTS AND INSTALL THEM SECURELY.

Be sure to use only the specified accessory parts. Use of other than designated parts may damage this unit internally or may not securely install the unit in place. This may cause parts to become loose resulting in hazards or product failure.

DO NOT INSTALL IN LOCATIONS WITH HIGH MOISTURE OR DUST.

Avoid installing the unit in locations with high incidence of moisture or dust. Moisture or dust that penetrates into this unit may result in product failure.

HAVE THE WIRING AND INSTALLATION DONE BY EXPERTS.

The wiring and installation of this unit requires special technical skill and experience. To ensure safety, always contact the dealer where you purchased this product to have the work done.

ARRANGE THE WIRING SO IT IS NOT CRIMPED OR PINCHED BY A SHARP METAL EDGE.

Route the cables and wiring away from moving parts (like the seat rails) or sharp or point edges. This will prevent crimping and damage to the wiring. If wiring passes through a hole in metal, use a rubber grommet to prevent the wire's insulation from being cut by the metal edge of the hole.

IMPORTANT

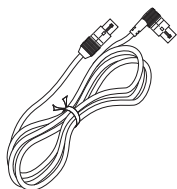
Please record the serial number of your unit in the space provided below and keep it as a permanent record. The serial number plate is located on the bottom of the unit.

SERIAL NUMBER: _____
INSTALLATION DATE: _____
INSTALLATION TECHNICIAN: _____
PLACE OF PURCHASE: _____

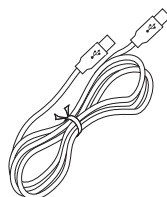
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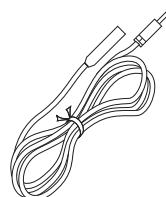
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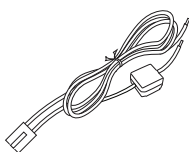
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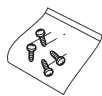
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Antenna Extension Cable
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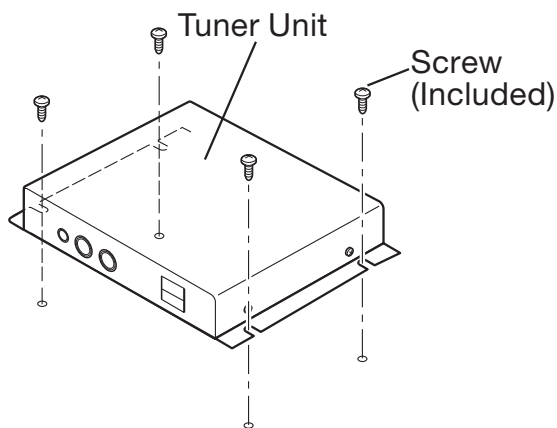


Power Harness
x 1



Mounting Screws
x 4

Installation



When mounting with Screws

When mounting the tuner with the screws, be sure to choose a flat location. When making holes, be careful not to damage any pipes or wires.

1. Using the unit as a template, hold it at its mounting location and mark the holes to be drilled. Before drilling, make sure that there are no objects that could be damaged behind the mounting surface.
2. Drill holes and secure the unit with self-tapping screws (M4 x 14) supplied.

Operation

This HD Radio™ receiver receives signals based on the terrestrial digital radio broadcast standard. If there are AM/FM broadcasters in your area transmitting digital audio and data services, this receiver is capable of identifying their digital signal. Any HD radio compatible head unit is capable of playing back and displaying the high quality digital audio as well as any data services (such as artist and song title info). For operation details, refer to the Owner's Manual of the head unit.

The iTunes Tagging function on the new TUA-T550HD allows you to save information on songs you heard being broadcast by HD Radio stations. This information is saved as a Tag stored in the receiver's memory. These stored Tags are transferred to a compatible iPod as soon as it's connected to the receiver. The next time this iPod is connected to a computer, iTunes automatically presents the songs in a new Tagged playlist so they can be previewed, purchased, and then downloaded. iTunes Tagging is a great way to discover new music and add it to your collection!

- *iTunes Tagging requires iTunes 7.6 or later.*
- *Compatible with iPod with video, iPod nano (3rd generation) and iPod classic.*
- *If an iPod not capable of Tagging is connected, a message "Non-Tagging iPod" will appear on the head unit. Tags will then be stored in the TUA-T550HDs memory until a Tagging capable iPod is connected and the head unit is in HD Radio™ mode.*
- *If you connect an iPod which is not Tagging compatible, you will see a message on the head unit "Not Tagging Compatible." Any Tags you set will be saved to the TUA-T550HD memory, until a compatible iPod is connected and the head unit is in HD Radio™ mode. A message "Tag Count:XX" is shown.*

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Tagging Music

1 Turn on HD radio.

2 Connect iPod to HD radio tuner.

When iPod is successfully connected to the tuner, the head unit displays "iPod connected" for 3 seconds and Alpine logo appears on iPod. When the memory of iPod is full, the head unit displays "iPod Memory full" for 3 seconds.

3 For model iDA-X100 and iDA-X100M, press and hold **SEARCH/ENT**.

For model IVA-W505, press and hold  .

The head unit displays "Tagging..." for 5 seconds. When the Tag is successfully stored, the head unit displays "Tags Stored" for 3 seconds. When Tagging fails, the head unit displays "Cannot Tag" for 3 seconds.

When the iPod is not connected to the tuner, the tuner can memorize 50 Tags.

When the iPod is not connected to the tuner and the memory of tuner is full, the head unit displays "Tuner Memory Full" for 3 seconds.

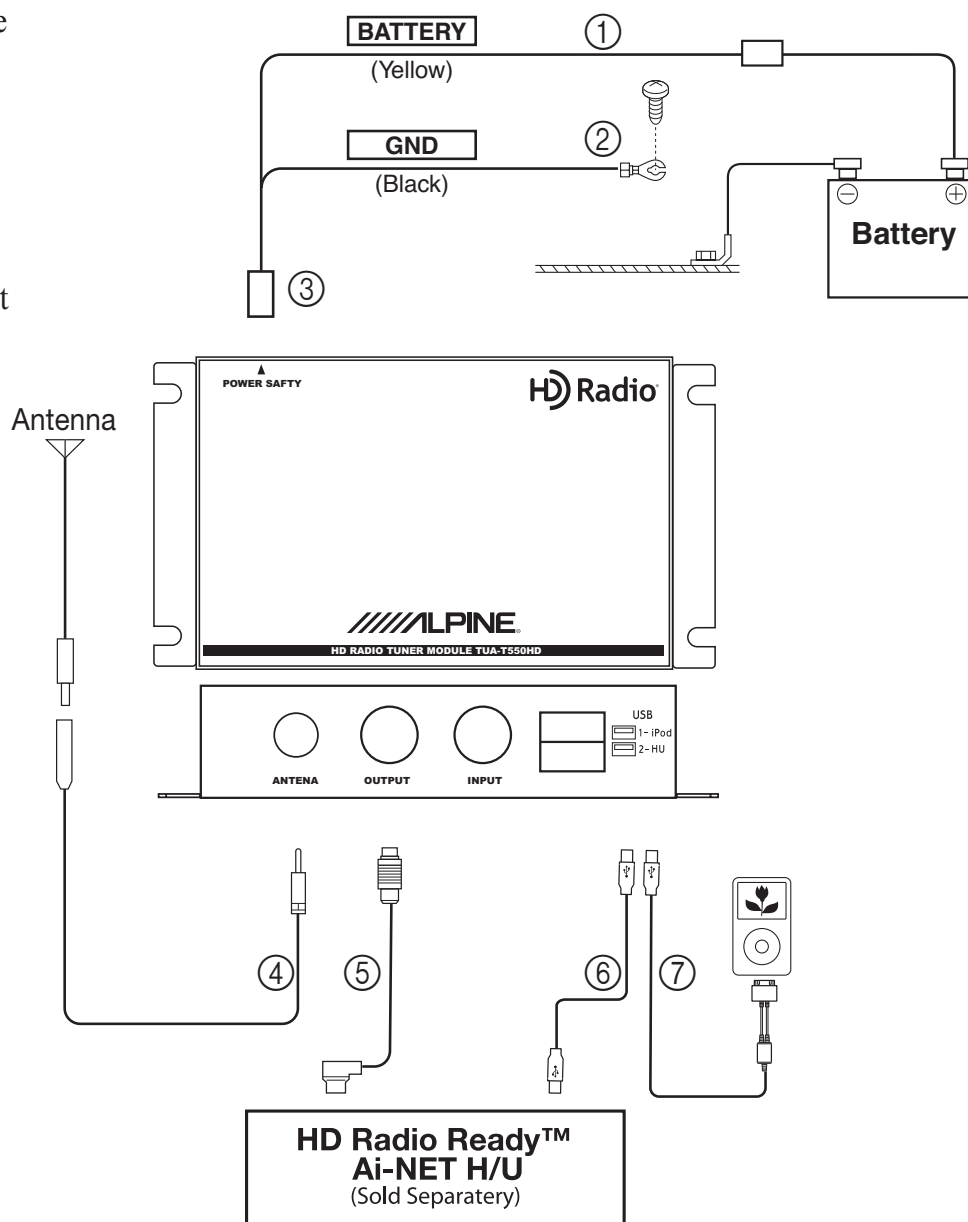
When the memory of the iPod becomes full, the head unit displays "iPod Memory Full" for 3 seconds.

4 Connect iPod to iTunes.

Sync the iPod with your computer and your tagged songs will appear in a Tagged Playlist in iTunes. You can then preview and purchase those songs directly from the iTunes Store.

Connections

- ① **Battery Lead (Yellow)**
Connect this lead to the positive (+) post of the vehicle's battery.
- ② **Ground Lead (Black)**
Connect this lead to a good chassis ground on the vehicle. Make sure the connection is made to bare metal and is securely fastened using the sheet metal screw provided.
- ③ **Power Supply Connector**
- ④ **Antenna Extension Cable**
• *Connect the antenna plug to the antenna receptacle of this unit, not to the head unit.*
- ⑤ **Ai-NET Cable**
• *Plug the L-shaped connector of the Ai-NET cable into the Head Unit, and plug the straight connector into the Tuner unit.*
- ⑥ **USB Cable**
- ⑦ **Alpine-iPod USB Cable**
(Included with head unit)



Specifications

FM TUNER SECTION

Tuning Range	87.7 – 107.9 MHz
Mono Usable Sensitivity	9.3 dBf (0.8 μ V/75 ohms)
50 dB Quieting Sensitivity	13.5 dBf (1.3 μ V/75 ohms)
Alternate Channel Selectivity	80 dB
Signal-to-Noise Ratio	80 dB
Stereo Separation	45 dB
Capture Ratio	2.0 dB

AM TUNER SECTION

Tuning Range	530 – 1,710 kHz
Sensitivity (IEC Standard)	22.5 μ V/27 dB

HD Radio Tuner

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Tuning Range	87.7 – 107.9 MHz
Usable Sensitivity	20 dB/ μ V (BER < 1×10^{-5})
Signal-to-Noise Ratio	85 dB
Stereo Separation	80 dB
Total Harmonic Distortion	0.08% (at 1 kHz)

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GENERAL

Power Requirement.....	14.4 V DC (11–16 V allowable)
Weight	790 g (1.75 lbs. 28 oz)

CHASSIS SIZE

Width.....	141 mm (5-1/2")
Height.....	29.08 mm (1-1/8")
Depth.....	76.43 mm (3")

Legal Notices

iPod and iTunes are trademarks of Apple Inc., registered in the U.S. and other countries.

“Made for iPod” means that an electronic accessory has been designed to connect specifically to iPod and has been certified by the developer to meet Apple performance standards. Apple is not responsible for the operation of this device or its compliance with safety and regulatory standards.

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● DURÉE DE LA GARANTIE:

Cette garantie est en vigueur pendant un an à partir de la date du premier achat du client.

● PERSONNES PROTÉGÉES PAR LA GARANTIE

Seul l'acheteur original du produit, s'il réside aux États-Unis, à Porto Rico ou au Canada, peut se prévaloir de la garantie.

● CE QUI EST COUVERT

Cette garantie couvre tous les défauts de matériaux et de fabrication (pièces et main d'œuvre) du produit.

● CE QUI N'EST PAS COUVERT

Cette garantie ne couvre pas ce qui suit:

- ① Les dommages survenus durant le transport des produits renvoyés à Alpine pour être réparés (les réclamations doivent être adressées au transporteur);
- ② Les dégâts provoqués par un accident ou une mauvaise utilisation, y compris des bobines acoustiques grillées suite à une surexcitation des enceintes (augmentation du niveau de l'amplificateur jusqu'à atteindre un effet de distorsion ou d'écroulement), une défaillance mécanique des enceintes (perforations, déchirures ou fentes), panneaux LCD fissurés ou endommagés, disques durs endommagés ou ayant subi une chute.
- ③ Tout dégât provoqué par négligence, usage inapproprié, mauvaise utilisation ou par le non-respect des instructions indiquées dans le manuel de l'utilisateur.
- ④ Les dommages dus à la force majeure, notamment aux tremblements de terre, au feu, aux inondations, aux tempêtes ou aux autres cataclysmes naturels; Les frais ou les dépenses relatifs à l'enlèvement ou à la réinstallation du produit;
- ⑤ Les services rendus par une personne, physique ou morale non autorisée;
- ⑥ Les produits dont le numéro de série a été effacé, modifié ou retiré;
- ⑦ Les produits qui ont été adaptés ou modifiés sans le consentement d'Alpine;
- ⑧ Les produits qui ne sont pas distribués par Alpine aux États-Unis, à Porto Rico ou au Canada;
- ⑨ Les produits qui n'ont pas été achetés par l'entremise d'un concessionnaire Alpine autorisé;

● COMMENT SE PRÉVALOIR DE LA GARANTIE

- ① Il vous faut remettre le produit nécessitant des réparations à un centre de service autorisé Alpine ou à Alpine même et en assumer les frais de transport. Alpine a le choix entre réparer le produit ou le remplacer par un produit neuf ou révisé, le tout sans frais pour vous. Si les réparations sont couvertes par la garantie et si le produit a été envoyé à un centre de service Alpine ou à Alpine, le paiement des frais de réexpédition du produit incombe Alpine.
- ② Vous devez donner une description détaillée des problèmes qui sont à l'origine de votre demande de réparation.

③ Vous devez joindre la preuve de votre achat du produit.

④ Vous devez emballer soigneusement le produit pour éviter tout dommage durant son transport. Pour éviter la perte de l'envoi, il est conseillé de choisir un transporteur qui propose un service de suivi des envois.

● LIMITATION DES GARANTIES TACITES

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● EXCLUSIONS DE LA GARANTIE

ALPINE STIPULE EXPRESSÉMENT QU'ELLE N'EST PAS RESPONSABLE DES DOMMAGES-INTÉRÊTS ET DOMMAGES INDIRECTS PROVOQUÉS PAR LE PRODUIT. LES DOMMAGES-INTÉRÊTS SONT LES FRAIS DE TRANSPORT DU PRODUIT VERS UN CENTRE DE SERVICE ALPINE, LA PERTE DE TEMPS DE L'ACHETEUR ORIGINAL, LA PERTE D'UTILISATION DU PRODUIT, LES BILLETS D'AUTOBUS, LA LOCATION DE VOITURES ET TOUS LES AUTRES FRAIS LIÉS À LA GARDE DU PRODUIT. LES DOMMAGES INDIRECTS SONT LES FRAIS DE RÉPARATION OU DE REMPLACEMENT D'AUTRES BIENS ENDOMMAGÉS SUITE AU MAUVAIS FONCTIONNEMENT DU PRODUIT. LES RECOURS PRÉVUS PAR LES PRÉSENTES EXCLUENT ET REMPLACENT TOUTE AUTRE FORME DE RECOURS.

● LIEN ENTRE LA GARANTIE ET LA LOI

La garantie vous donne des droits spécifiques, mais vous pouvez aussi jouir d'autres droits, qui varient d'un état ou d'une province à l'autre. En outre, certains états et certaines provinces interdisent de limiter la durée des garanties tacites ou d'exclure les dommages accessoires ou indirects. Dans ce cas, les limites et les exclusions de la garantie peuvent ne pas s'appliquer à vous.

● CLAUSE APPLICABLE AU CANADA SEULEMENT

Pour que la garantie soit valable, il faut qu'un centre d'installation autorisé ait installé le système audio pour l'auto dans votre véhicule et qu'il ait ensuite apposé son cachet sur la garantie.

● NUMÉROS D'APPEL DU SERVICE À LA CLIENTÈLE

Si vous avez besoin de nos services, veuillez appeler Alpine aux numéros ci-dessous pour le centre de service autorisé Alpine le plus proche.

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LIMITED WARRANTY

ALPINE ELECTRONICS OF AMERICA, INC. AND ALPINE OF CANADA INC. ("Alpine"), are dedicated to quality craftsmanship and are pleased to offer this Warranty. We suggest that you read it thoroughly. Should you have any questions, please contact your Dealer or contact Alpine at one of the telephone numbers listed below.

● PRODUCTS COVERED:

This Warranty covers Car Audio Products and Related Accessories ("the product"). Products purchased in the Canada are covered only in the Canada. Products purchased in the U.S.A. are covered only in the U.S.A.

● LENGTH OF WARRANTY:

This Warranty is in effect for one year from the date of the first consumer purchase.

● WHO IS COVERED:

This Warranty only covers the original purchaser of the product, who must reside in the United States, Puerto Rico or Canada.

● WHAT IS COVERED:

This Warranty covers defects in materials or workmanship (parts and labor) in the product.

● WHAT IS NOT COVERED:

This Warranty does not cover the following:

- ① Damage occurring during shipment of the product to Alpine for repair (claims must be presented to the carrier).
- ② Damage caused by accident or abuse, including burned voice coils caused by over-driving the speaker (amplifier level is turned up and driven into distortion or clipping). Speaker mechanical failure (e.g. punctures, tears or rips). Cracked or damaged LCD panels. Dropped or damaged hard drives.
- ③ Damage caused by negligence, misuse, improper operation or failure to follow instructions contained in the Owner's manual.
- ④ Damage caused by act of God, including without limitation, earthquake, fire, flood, storms or other acts of nature. Any cost or expense related to the removal or reinstallation of the product.
- ⑤ Service performed by an unauthorized person, company or association.
- ⑥ Any product which has the serial number defaced, altered or removed.
- ⑦ Any product which has been adjusted, altered or modified without Alpine's consent.
- ⑧ Any product not distributed by Alpine within the United States, Puerto Rico or Canada.
- ⑨ Any product not purchased from an Authorized Alpine Dealer.

● HOW TO OBTAIN WARRANTY SERVICE:

- ① You are responsible for delivery of the product to an Authorized Alpine Service Center or Alpine for repair and for payment of any initial shipping charges. Alpine will, at its option, repair or replace the product with a new or reconditioned product without charge. If the repairs are covered by the warranty, and if the product was shipped to an Authorized Alpine Service Center or Alpine, Alpine will pay the return shipping charges.
- ② You should provide a detailed description of the problem(s) for which service is required.

- ③ You must supply proof of your purchase of the product.

- ④ You must package the product securely to avoid damage during shipment. To prevent lost packages it is recommended to use a carrier that provides a tracking service.

● HOW WE LIMIT IMPLIED WARRANTIES:

ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES INCLUDING FITNESS FOR USE AND MERCHANTABILITY ARE LIMITED IN DURATION TO THE PERIOD OF THE EXPRESS WARRANTY SET FORTH ABOVE AND NO PERSON IS AUTHORIZED TO ASSUME FOR ALPINE ANY OTHER LIABILITY IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE OF THE PRODUCT.

● HOW WE EXCLUDE CERTAIN DAMAGES:

ALPINE EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMS LIABILITY FOR INCIDENTAL AND CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES CAUSED BY THE PRODUCT. THE TERM "INCIDENTAL DAMAGES" REFERS TO EXPENSES OF TRANSPORTING THE PRODUCT TO THE ALPINE SERVICE CENTER, LOSS OF THE ORIGINAL PURCHASER'S TIME, LOSS OF THE USE OF THE PRODUCT, BUS FARES, CAR RENTALS OR OTHERS COSTS RELATING TO THE CARE AND CUSTODY OF THE PRODUCT. THE TERM "CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES" REFERS TO THE COST OF REPAIRING OR REPLACING OTHER PROPERTY WHICH IS DAMAGED WHEN THIS PRODUCT DOES NOT WORK PROPERLY. THE REMEDIES PROVIDED UNDER THIS WARRANTY ARE EXCLUSIVE AND IN LIEU OF ALL OTHERS.

● HOW STATE/PROVINCIAL LAW RELATES TO THE WARRANTY:

This Warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state and province to province. In addition, some states/provinces do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, and some do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages. Accordingly, limitations as to these matters contained herein may not apply to you.

● IN CANADA ONLY:

This Warranty is not valid unless your Alpine car audio product has been installed in your vehicle by an Authorized Installation Center, and this warranty stamped upon installation by the installation center.

● HOW TO CONTACT CUSTOMER SERVICE:

Should the product require service, please call the following number for your nearest Authorized Alpine Service Center.

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